

Address of Requesting Entity: 406 E. Huntington Drive, Suite 202, Monrovia, CA 91016

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$237,500 to complete an assessment of Transit Oriented Development (TOD) along Phase II of the Gold Line Foothill Extension. Approximately, \$100,000 or 42% is for economic analysis; \$100,000 or 42% for engineering; and \$37,500 or 16% for environmental assessment. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the Surface Transportation Priorities account. This funding will complete the TOD study. The Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority will provide a minimum of a 20% local cost share with local funds.

NATIONAL PEACE CORPS WEEK

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 25, 2009

Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the efforts of our nation's Peace Corps volunteers in honor of National Peace Corps Week. Since the establishment of the Peace Corps by President John F. Kennedy in 1961, more than 195,000 U.S. Citizens have served their country in the cause of peace by living and working in 139 countries throughout the world. Each Volunteer sent out into the field represents another opportunity to dispel myths about the United States, to help people of interested countries meet their need for trained men and women, and to create lasting bonds of friendship with host country citizens. Volunteers are currently providing expertise and development assistance to 76 countries and are working to find common ways to address global challenges. These Volunteers share their time and talent serving as teachers, business advisors, information technology consultants, agriculture and environmental specialists, and health and HIV/AIDS educators. The Peace Corps has become an enduring symbol of our nation's commitment to encourage progress, create opportunity, and expand development at the grassroots level in the developing world.

I would like to commend our proud nation's Peace Corps volunteers for their service, particularly those 58 men and women of the Eleventh Congressional District of Virginia who are currently serving as volunteers: Laurny Alleva, Alfred Baldwin, Anne Berwick, Albert Bond, Erica Brouillette, Casey Burke, Daniel Cassidy, Alexander Chidakel, Kelly Connors, Rhiannon Cooper, David Coscia, Eric Crowder, Kevin Dansereau, Ryan Dickriede, David Doane, Scott Estep, Brian Fries, Evan Gay, Jeffrey Gilleo, Nathan Graham, Nathan Hernandez, Michaela Hoffman, Thomas Holian, Rachel Kavanagh, Matthew Keenan, Dianne Kim, Shinhee Kim, Melissa Ko, Rachel Kramer, Phuong-Thuy Le, Hye Lee, Laara Manier, Katherine Mariska, Paul Mastin, Alona Mays, Kelly McCormack, Russell McDaniel, John McGrath, Jonathan Mellor, Theresa Milstein, Matthew Mozingo, Karine Nankam, Trevor Perrier, Jessica Pic, Jennifer Polasek, Mathis Pollock, Jonathan Seiden, Hanna Simering, Jonathan Styron, Mary Thur, Rachel Vanderburg, Amy Vaughters, Christine Wahle, Joshua Wayland, Jessica West, Clemens Weygandt, Courtney Wong, and Dale

Yurovich. I consider it a great honor to represent these noble men and women, who travel great distances and make great sacrifices to help reaffirm our country's commitment to helping people help themselves throughout the world.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join with me today to acknowledge the thousands of Americans who serve and have served as Peace Corps Volunteers. They are a great credit to our country, and we should applaud them.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 25, 2009

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of the FY 2009 Omnibus.

Requesting Member: Congressman JEFF MILLER

Bill Number: H.R. 1105—Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009

Account: FHWA Transportation, Community, and System Preservation (TCSP) program account.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Santa Rosa County, Florida

Address of Requesting Entity: 6495 Caroline St., Suite M, Milton, FL 32570

Description of Request: \$475,000—Four Lane-PD&E Study, State Road 87 in Santa Rosa County, Florida. I requested these funds to expand the Project Development and Environmental (PD&E) study phase for SR 87. The study would include a triangular study area defined by the following three points: 1) north of Clear Creek Bridge on SR 87 near NAS Whiting Field, 2) the intersection of US 90/Glover Lane, and 3) the intersection of US 90/SR 87 South. The justification is fivefold: 1) to complete a 4-lane regional corridor from the Gulf Coast to the Alabama State Line with an ultimate goal to connect to I-65 in Alabama; 2) to provide four lanes of capacity for South Santa Rosa hurricane evacuation and recovery along the only road which is open when the US 98, US 90, I-10, and SR 281 bridges are impassable; 3) to provide for economic development among existing and planned industrial/commercial facilities and tourism attractions that lie along SR 87; 4) to support the Hurlburt Field and Eglin Air Force Base military missions of national significance; and 5) to solve the issue of additional capacity needed through or around the City of Milton which has local and regional implications. In FY 06, this project received \$4 million in SAFETEA-LU, High Priority Projects account. Last year, the project received \$492,000 in the TSCP Account. I requested funding from the Transportation, Community, and System Preservation (TCSP) program account.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Santa Rosa County, Florida located at 6495 Caroline St, Suite M, Milton, FL 32570. The funding would be used to complete the PD&E study phase and design for the project. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project. Consistent with the Republican Leadership's policy on earmarks, I

hereby certify that this request (1) is not directed to any entity or program named after a sitting Member of Congress; (2) is not intended for a "front" or "pass through" entity; and (3) meets or exceeds all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable.

Requesting Member: Congressman JEFF MILLER

Bill Number: H.R. 1105—Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009

Account: FHWA Transportation, Community and System Preservation (TCSP) Program

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Okaloosa County, Florida

Address of Requesting Entity: 1804 Lewis Turner Boulevard, Suite 400, Fort Walton Beach, FL 32547

Description of Request: \$95,000—Okaloosa County Improvements to Fairchild Road and Hare Street, Florida. I requested funding from the FHWA Transportation, Community and System Preservation (TCSP) Program. This funding would help provide for construction and upgrading of these roadways. Both roads serve as an ingress/egress into an industrial airport/military contractor complex. The roads are in need of paving, drainage improvements, and widening.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Okaloosa County, Florida, located at 1804 Lewis Turner Boulevard, Suite 400, Fort Walton Beach, FL 32547. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Consistent with the Republican Leadership's policy on earmarks, I hereby certify that this request (1) is not directed to any entity or program named after a sitting Member of Congress; (2) is not intended for a "front" or "pass through" entity; and (3) meets or exceeds all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable.

Requesting Member: Congressman JEFF MILLER

Bill Number: H.R. 1105—Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009

Account: FHWA Transportation, Community and System Preservation (TCSP) Program

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Walton County, Florida

Address of Requesting Entity: 117 Montgomery Circle, P.O. Box 1355, DeFuniak Springs, FL 32435

Description of Request: \$95,000—Choctawhatchee Bay Bridge Widening. I requested funding in the FHWA Transportation, Community and System Preservation (TCSP) Program account FY09. Funding will support additional design, right of way and construction to provide enhancements to the Choctawhatchee Bay Bridge in order to allow for additional capacity for evacuation purposes and regional economic development. The bridge and US Highway 331 are the county's major evacuation route and have a 30 hour evacuation time. The Preliminary Design and Engineering Study was done in 1995 and 60 percent of the design has been completed.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Walton County, Florida, located at 117 Montgomery Circle, P.O. Box 1355, DeFuniak Springs, FL 32435. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

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